



THE LION ALLIANCE

A Primary/Secondary Partnership

CHOOSE YOUR ROUTE INTO TEACHING

SCHOOL DIRECT (SD) PGCE

with the Lion Alliance & a University Partner

- Fee paying, 1 year PGCE with QTS.
- Specialise in Primary (5-11) or a range of Secondary Subjects (11-18).
- DfE Apply – **YOU** choose your university provider **AND** your host school.
- Entry requirements: minimum 2.2 degree, grade 4 in English, Maths (and Science for Primary).
- The Lion Alliance offers additional support and guidance including Alliance Days; access to 'Meet the Expert' training; organising your second placement (with your requests considered); recruitment opportunities & membership of Lion Alliance alumni.

FIND OUT MORE

www.thelionalliance.co.uk

READY TO APPLY?

Register via DfE Apply
www.gov.uk/apply-for-teacher-training

TEACHING APPRENTICESHIP

with the Lion Alliance & Coventry University

- A 12 month programme (July to July), leading to QTS.
- Currently offered in a range of Secondary subjects.
- Employed by a host school as an unqualified teacher. Work full time. Host school covers all training costs.
- Entry requirements: minimum 2.2 degree (will consider 3rd), grade 4 in English, Maths (and Science for Primary)
- Online modules with Coventry University.
- 20% off the job training (50 - 80% teaching timetable that builds up incrementally across the 3 terms).

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ASSESSMENT ONLY (AO)

with the Lion Alliance & Birmingham City University

- A fast track route to QTS for unqualified teachers; providing you are already employed in a school environment.
- You need two years working typically as an unqualified teacher in at least two schools before you can apply.
- Funded by your school/organisation.

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Contact us to find out more
admin@thelionalliance.co.uk

UNIVERSITY LED (CORE) PGCE

with the University of Warwick.

- Fee paying, 1 year PGCE with QTS.
- DfE Apply – you choose your university provider only.
- You will be assigned your host and placement schools by the university.
- Many of our partner schools host CORE placements from the University of Warwick each year.

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ABOUT THE LION ALLIANCE

From introducing new teachers to the fabulous world of working with the next generation, all the way through to developing leaders in education - we're committed to providing high quality Initial Teacher Training (ITT), Continual Professional Development (CPD) and School to School Support to provide outstanding opportunities for our school colleagues, motivating and supporting them to grow, whatever stage of their career.

As an established and respected partner of Warwick University, Birmingham City University and Coventry University we are committed to giving every teacher who trains with us the best possible chance to become an outstanding teacher. Our partner schools boast experienced and committed mentors.

All Lion Alliance routes into teaching include time spent training in at least two schools and lead to Qualified Teacher Status (QTS). Working with 20 schools, both Primary and Secondary, across Coventry and Warwickshire we pride ourselves on being able to offer a wide variety of placements and are able to draw on the incredibly diverse expertise of the staff in our schools.

At the Lion Alliance we will work with you to secure a teaching position in a school that will enable you to flourish. We regularly host training around applications and interview tips; we create and share a Recruitment brochure with the Headteachers from across our partner schools; and we welcome you to join our growing Alumni.

TESTIMONIALS

“ I joined the Lion Alliance because I knew I would be supported at every step of my journey. I had very supportive mentors and a supportive head of the teaching alliance. The CPD was of excellent quality which helped me to become a better teacher and develop my confidence. I strongly recommend joining the Lion Alliance because there is help and support at every step of the journey. They have a wealth of very experienced teachers who will always encourage the use of different strategies with different students to make their learning memorable.

Ms Rayat – Teacher of Chemistry
School Direct PGCE 2020-21 and Early Career Teacher (ECT) 2021-22

“ School Direct training via The Lion Alliance is a fantastic option because all their schools are fantastic, and you have a much greater say in where you go for your placements. The smaller team at the core of the Lion Alliance are incredibly responsive and keen to help you out wherever you need. They also work with a range of universities in and around Coventry so you can choose to work with whichever one you prefer. If you are interested in training to teach in the area, there is no reason not to contact the Lion Alliance, it is such a fantastic and welcoming option, I can't imagine training with anyone else.

Mr Nelson – Teacher of Mathematics
School Direct PGCE 2021-22

“ I've really enjoyed working with the Lion alliance as they tailored all of my training to primary training; it isn't assumed that we're all Secondary trainees which was brilliant. They made sure it was tailored to us and our current needs and everything that was going on with the current climate in schools. Through that and a successful training year I managed to secure a job at my placement school; Finham Primary. I cannot recommend it enough, please go and follow your dream and make sure you do it with the Lion Alliance as I can't fault anything that they did. They really are there to make sure you really get everything out of your experience.

Ms Barson – Primary Teacher
School Direct PGCE 2020-21 and Early Career Teacher (ECT) 2021-22

INTERESTED IN GETTING SCHOOL EXPERIENCE?

You can visit one of our partner schools to get experience in the classroom.

It can help you:

- Decide if you want to train to be a teacher.
- Engage with current mentors delivering teacher training.
- Discover which setting you'd like to teach in (Primary or Secondary).
- Build a relationship with a school you might want to work for later.

— FIND OUT MORE —
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— READY TO GET INVOLVED? —

Contact us to find out more, or register via the DfE 'Get School Experience' service
schoolexperience.education.gov.uk



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OUR STRATEGIC PARTNERS

Secondary schools:

Cardinal Newman
Coundon Court
Coventry ELC
Finham Park
Finham Park 2
Lyng Hall
Princethorpe College
West Coventry Academy
Whitley Academy

Primary schools:

Crackley Hall primary
Earlsdon primary
Eastern Green primary
Finham primary
Lillington primary
Limbrick Wood primary
Moseley primary
Mount Nod primary
Park Hill primary
Pearl Hyde primary
Templars primary

All located across
Coventry and Warwickshire







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